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Re: Request for Extension of Comment Period  
North Hollywood Operable Unit  
Proposed Plan for Enhanced Groundwater Remedy

Dear Mr. Schauffler and Ms. Loftin:

We represent CalMat Co., dba Vulcan Materials Company, Western Division, in connection with the North Hollywood Operable Unit ("NHO") of the San Fernando Valley Superfund Site, Area 1 ("Site").

As you know, the Site has a long and convoluted history where the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") and the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power ("LADWP") were involved in addressing groundwater contamination in the NHO since 1981. We understand that EPA has devoted more than two (2) years to designing an improved groundwater remedy to: a) treat a higher volume of groundwater, b) improve containment of contaminated groundwater, and c) add treatment for new contaminants ("Second Interim Remedy"). On July 21, 2009, the EPA invited the public to attend an availability session and public meeting to discuss groundwater contamination issues and the proposed cleanup set forth in the Second Interim Remedy.

In connection with a remedy that took over two years to formulate, the EPA proposed a 28-day comment period for the public to submit written comments. Comments on the Second Interim Remedy are due no later than August 10, 2009. Careful review and scientific evaluation are warranted, given the exhaustive background and complex technical issues

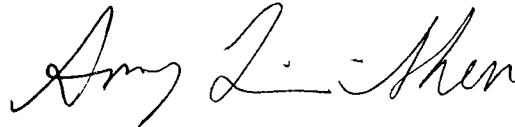
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pertinent to the Site. Financial data regarding the assumptions and cost estimates for the long-range alternatives need to be further analyzed.

Accordingly, we respectfully request that the EPA grant the public a thirty (30) day extension within which to substantively respond to the Second Interim Remedy. We will follow up with you to confirm the EPA's grant of this request.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amy L. Shen". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Amy" being more prominent.

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